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**WILL MEET THREE
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Washington and Lee Quint to Play First Game Day After Christmas.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
Lexington, Va., December 18.—The Washington and Lee basketball prospects are excellent. For some time the practice has been going on and several of the new men are developing rapidly. The work has been heavy for the past two weeks, and Dr. Pollard has been putting the squad through hard work. One of the things which has gone to make the first team work was the order not to shoot any goals, but to pass from man to man. This left the second team free to make what score it could whenever it could get the ball. It is no easy task to keep continued possession of the basketball when the opponents are fighting every pass and there is no goal to receive the sphere, and the work has gone far to develop a good set of dribblers and to make all the players more accurate in the work of getting the ball and then getting rid of it.

Of last year's team a good number are out for their old places. Glasgow, the big guard, who is so strong at the dribble, has gone out to the great satisfaction of all the students. Burke will be found at the other guard, where he was a substitute last season. Bae is after his place at the center, and many of the done artists say that he will get it back in spite of the work of Bug Jones. Captain Hannis will be at his old place at the front of the floor to get the buckets, but his old partner, Boyd, is not in college.

Miles is showing a strong bid for a job somewhere, and his height and speed make him a natural center. Haffner has done some good work as a forward, as also have Hopper and McCall. Yonah is showing some strength at the guard position.

The team will take a trip immediately after the holidays, and Manager Null has already put the following games on the schedule:

December 26—Y. M. C. A., Lynchburg.
December 27—Y. M. C. A., Asheville, N. C.
December 28—Y. M. C. A., Asheville, N. C.
December 29—Y. M. C. A., Charlotte, N. C.
December 30—Y. M. C. A., Charlotte, N. C.

Camp Is Organized.
Colonial camp, Order of the Golden Seal, was organized last night at a meeting held at Murphy's Hotel, which has its home in New York, was licensed only yesterday by the Virginia Bureau of Insurance. It issues health and accident policies to its members.

Officers were elected as follows: H. E. Anderson, commander; Thomas N. Keadler, past commander; F. C. Bagary, secretary; Alexander Howard, treasurer; Charles Pohl, chaplain; William C. Lamb, guide; M. B. Ferguson, sentinel; Walter G. Duke, picket; Dr. G. F. Godson, medical examiner; Treasurer—Benedictus Lamb, for three years; Dr. W. H. Parker, for two years; Douglas E. Taylor, one year.

Wells Knocks Out Sturbeck.
London, December 18.—Bombacker Wells, whose scheduled fight with Jack Johnson last September was prohibited by the authorities, appeared in the ring of the National Sporting Club to-night. He met Fred Sturbeck, the heavyweight champion of South Africa. A big crowd had gathered to see the hour, which lasted seven rounds. Sturbeck being knocked out with one of Wells' powerful swings.

**SELECTION OF COACH
NOT YET ANNOUNCED**

Virginia Authorities Puzzled as to Choice of Football Trainer for Next Year—Interesting Report From Georgetown.

Charlottesville, Va., December 18.—Athletic authorities at Virginia are interested in the announcement that Georgetown has definitely determined to adopt the alumni system of coaching. Here it has been tried thoroughly, and has proven a success, and there is no doubt but that it has come to stay. The regulation of the general faculty concerning coaches is as follows: No "coach" not an alumnus, and no "trainer," not an officer of the university, shall be employed for the purpose of instructing or training any team in the university. The faculty committee on athletics may, however, permit the employment of coaches other than alumni for a period not exceeding two weeks for any one individual during any one season, but in no case shall such coach be in responsible charge of the team.

Virginia's athletic authorities are just now "up in the air" as to who will take charge of next year's football team. The athletic code calls for the retiring captain to lead the team the following year, but Joe Wood has one more year on the team. This necessitates the selection of one of the captains of recent years, or conditions may compel a departure from the captain idea for one year. All college was satisfied with the splendid results obtained by Head Coach Vancey the past fall and would be glad to see him in charge of the team another season, but feel at the same time that he could hardly be asked to give up his time and services another year. There is no profit whatever in the job. All the satisfaction the coach gets out of the task is the knowledge that he has been able to render some service to his alma mater.

Whoever is selected to pilot next year's eleven, it is felt that the season will be a successful one, for he will have two valuable helpers in college in the persons of Speed Elliott and Rice Warren. Elliott has had charge of the Virginia football team for the past two years, and much credit for the development of the varsity has been due to his efforts. Warren, who was a former end at Virginia, has been in charge of athletics at Randolph-Macon College, Ashland, for several seasons past. He will enter the university in September, however, to take the full four-year course in medicine. He is a splendid coach, as evidenced by the success he attained at the big Methodist institution. Under his tutelage, Randolph-Macon has won three years in succession won the championship of the Eastern division in football.

Bowling
The regular scheduled series of the Richmond Bowling Association was contested last night at the Newport between the Remingtons and News Leader teams. The Remingtons won the first game by a large majority, Gordon, a new man on the team, making high score in the first game with 226. Captain Handy was second, with 219. The second game was a spirited contest, the Remingtons meeting with hard luck by several successive splits, causing them to lose it. The Remingtons won the third, however, Captain Handy was high total, with 422, and Gordon second high total, with 366. For the News Leader, Chapin was high total with 422, Blair was high score, with 219, for the News Leader. The scores:

News Leader.	1.	2.	3.	Totals.
Delaney (capt.)	136	161	119	416
Bryant	148	169	184	501
Rem (capt.)	147	176	161	484
Chapin	191	176	185	552
Blair	196	155	210	561
Totals	788	837	859	2,484

Remingtons.
Handy (capt.) 219 180 233 632
Purdie 149 138 181 468
Gordon 226 167 163 556
Briggs 192 142 174 508
Cosby 155 185 175 515
Totals 943 802 926 2,671

Standing of the Clubs.
Won. Lost. P. C.
Remingtons 17 7 .709
News Leader 14 10 .583
Times-Dispatch 13 11 .539
News Leader 11 13 .454
Journal 9 12 .427
Cox Printing Co. 10 14 .417
Newport 3 21 .125

MERCHANTS' LEAGUE
The Chesapeake and Ohio and the Pre-Phy Tol Co. teams of the Merchants' League played their regular scheduled games last night and both sides put up a hard fight. The C. & O. squad seemed to have the Pre-Phy Tol boys' number, and when the score was counted at the finish it was found that the C. & O. had captured all three games. This team, under

Bowling for Turkeys
The Newport turkey contest, which opened last night, proved to be a great drawing card, and the leading bowlers kept plugging the pins from start to finish. Some excellent scores have been made in the opening games. This contest will run until Saturday night, and from present indications it looks as if this will be an interesting tournament.

The Newport Alley will give away five live turkeys to the five bowlers who make the highest total in any three consecutive games, and will also give several prizes for the highest score and high two games. The standing of the leading players will be published daily in The Times-Dispatch. Following are the players who led in the first division in Monday's trials:

Handy	1.	2.	3.	Totals
Handy (capt.)	137	128	145	410
Elby	127	141	137	405
Burrow	126	164	165	455
Gallagher	125	139	151	415
Glaze	125	139	151	415
Jones	125	139	151	415
Gallagher	125	139	151	415

Bushell.
Havana, Dec. 18.—S. S.—New York Nationals, 4; Almendares, 1.

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Pertinent Comment
By GUS MALBERT.

Howlers against syndicate baseball see in the ever increasing number of "farms" which the major leagues are conducting among the minors, an aggregation of that pernicious practice whereby a practical close corporation is made of ball players who have once entered the organized ranks. The matter has been strikingly presented by the recent acquisition by the Detroit club of the Providence franchise in the International League. Cleveland controls the Toledo club in the American Association; Comiskey is backing Cadillac in Minneapolis, and the Chicago magnate also owns the Des Moines team; the Highlanders own Atlanta, while it is suspected that Connie Mack's shokels give to Baltimore the right to live in the baseball world. So far as can be learned Washington and St. Louis are the only clubs in the American League not owning "farms."

In the National League, while matters have not progressed quite as far as they have in the younger organization, still Boston controls the Scranton team, in the Pacific Coast League, while "Club" Murphy, of the Cubs, requires homage from the Louisville aggregation. Taking it further, it is believed that many of the magnates of the National have interest in more than one team in their own league. Just where the minors get off under this arrangement cannot be seen. On its face, it is syndicate ball of the worst type, for with a big league owner controlling two teams, he has all ways at his disposal the very best of the talent of both, while the minor league club is never quite certain where it stands. The ballplayer gets no consideration. Instead of being covered for just one season, under the arrangement of single ownership of two franchises, he is covered eternally, even if for no other purpose than to keep some other club from securing his services.

It is so evident that big league control of minor league franchises is going to have an ill effect on the game, that the wonder is that the magnates have allowed matters to progress as far as they have. The rule works two ways, however, for not only will the major league club owning a "farm" have access to all of the material developed on the "farm," but the "farm" team will have the pick of players to be released by the major league outfit, thus making it practically impossible for the minor league team, not being a "farm," to compete with the favored organization.

The rule which was recently adopted admitting but twenty-five players during the off season, will have no objection.

The National Bowling Association's tournament will be held March 22-23, in Patterson, N. J. Plans are already being formed by the local maple tumbler for taking a healthy representation up to the Jersey village and bring back some of the plunder offered. The several leagues, including the Richmond Bowling League, the Merchants' League, The Times-Dispatch League, as well as the leagues of the Central Y. M. C. A., will form major stations from which to get the best material. The high scores being rolled on all of the alleys in the city, lend an optimistic view to Richmond's chances.

George Herbert and Mike Donnellson will give Richmond a chance to see what can be done with the fighting hopefuls around town on Friday night, when an invitation boxing carnival will be held in the new quarters of the physical culture teachers at 401 East Broad Street. Some fast milling is promised, and two or three wrestling bouts will complete the program. About 500 invitations have been issued.

A meeting of the athletic committee of the Union is scheduled for later in the week, at which time the indoor track meet which will be conducted by the soldiers will be discussed.

Somebody told somebody else yesterday that it would be a mighty good move to start an amateur billiard tournament. So say we. But the trouble is, as it has always been, that the bombadies can't be located. Well, what's the use, anyway.

Immediately after the Christmas holidays, Captain Vaughan will call out the track candidates at Richmond College. With practically the entire track squad of last year back at college, prospects are bright for Richmond to make a showing at the several indoor meets to be held here and in Washington.

AMUSEMENTS
Academy of Music—Dark.
Bijou—"The Rosary," matinee and night.
Laughter and Tears.
In spite of the near approach of Christmas, with its proverbial bad business, the customary Monday night audience gathered at the Bijou to witness the initial performance of "The Rosary," which will be seen there throughout the week. Entirely unconnected with, and utterly dissimilar to, the beautiful story by Florence Barclay, the play is a compound of comedy, pathos and bathos, which apparently gladdened and saddened the hearts of the audience in a manner that must have been gratifying to the company and to the management.
The story deals with an Eden of domestic bliss disrupted and ruined by a

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its title suggests, the action of the play concerns a single night's happenings, and has to do with the mishaps that befall two young married couples on their honeymoon trip up the Hudson River on the steamer Hendrick Hudson.

**ATTRACTIVE CARD
DRAWS BIG CROWD**
Three Favorites Win at Columbia—Jockey Indefinitely Suspended.
Columbia, S. C., December 18.—Clear, warm weather and a fairly attractive card served to attract a good crowd to the races at the Fair Grounds today. Three favorites won, each running odds-on, except Sea Swell in the last, which climbed up to even money at the close. The judges indefinitely suspendedockey Irwin after Our Nugget made a show of the field in the first race—\$200; two-year-olds; five furlongs; selling—Steel Cliffe (14 to 5), first; Charlie O'Brien (1 to 2), second; Henock (3 to 2), third, Time, 1:01 4-5.
Second race—\$200; three-year-olds and up; five furlongs; selling—May Nora (3 to 5), first; Leon B. (9 to 10), second; Carlisle M. (8 to 5), third, Time, 1:09 4-5.
Third race—\$200; four-year-olds and up; one and one-sixteenth miles; selling—Pur Nugget (12 to 1), first; Roseburg (2 to 1), second; Spring Frog (3 to 2), third, Time, 1:51 2-5.
Fourth race—\$250; three-year-olds; mile selling—Cu Bon (7 to 1), first; Maromara (1 to 2), second; Helene (5 to 5), third, Time, 1:46.
Fifth race—\$200; three-year-olds and up; five and one-half furlongs; selling—Berta (7 to 1), first; Horizon (5 to 5), second; Stanley S. (7 to 2), third, Time, 1:09 4-5.
Sixth race—\$200; three-year-olds; five furlongs; selling—Sea Swell (even), first; Billie Barnard (8 to 1), second; Chilton Squaw (4 to 1), third, Time, 1:03.

**PATHFINDERS TELL
OF ROAD HARDSHIPS**
Automobile Club Hears Report of Those Blazing Trail to Washington—Membership Committee Corral Seventy New Members.
At the monthly meeting of the Richmond Automobile Club last night, Preston Smith, president of the Washington Automobile Association, and a member of the pathfinding party which recently made a trip from Richmond to Washington, via Fredericksburg, were the guests of the club. The speaker, who is a member of the club, told of the hardships which would be encountered in this most important link in the national highway, the coming winter, and the necessity of a permanent organization to take up the work of the pathfinders. He discussed the various obstacles met on the trip. His report contained many pleasant and interesting details of the individuals composing the party, some of whom bore the hardships with the same courage which marked the pathfinders of the early days. He spoke of the wolf, the bear, the encounter with the wolf. The report was spicy and full of meat. Not a single detail was overlooked. Unfortunately, the speaker was unable to blaze the trail as a representative of the club, was prevented from remaining long enough to tell his story.

It was discovered that the road via Fredericksburg would be rather expensive proposition. Richmond must raise \$50,000 as her part of the money needed. Fredericksburg must raise a like sum. The counties intervening will be required to add their mite to the total. Roughly estimated, the road, following the route laid out by the pathfinding party, will cost about \$1,000,000, certainly not less than that sum. The Richmond Automobile Club stands sponsor for the movement, and will aid in every way the effort to raise the money needed. It was brought out last night that no bridges of importance must be built, but where bridges are to be built, the club will be expected to pay the price.

The government will also be asked to chip in and aid. The fact that the road passes through Manassas, and therefore through a most historic part of the country, adds to the importance of the project. The government can hardly get away from putting up dollars to aid in the cause. The work of actually raising the money needed will be deferred until some later time, not as yet set by the club.

The report of the several captains of the committees appointed for the purpose of soliciting members to the club was received. These captains are E. C. Pelouze, E. M. Hoadley, J. Mosby West, Angus Nichols and B. W. Wilson. They did their work well, and as a result seventy new members will be added to the roster. Those who submitted their names and who were elected followed:

C. C. Bodoker, H. Logan Golsan, J. P. Hart, J. Lee Davis, W. B. West, Samuel Meek, Jas. J. Pollard, George B. Johnson, John R. Williams, N. R. Hoyle, S. S. Nott, M. C. Sykes, Dr. W. L. Peple, Dr. A. L. Gray, Dr. W. F. Mercer, Dr. C. M. Miller, W. J. Addison, M. H. Rhodes, Inc., H. L. Cahell, Thomas L. Moore, E. F. Downum, Jr., J. Smith, David Belcroft, W. O. Richards, Henry Wallerstein, J. E. Rodgers, C. C. Fresham, C. O. Scott, C. B. Grundy, John S. Elliott, R. B. Benton, George Gurrey, S. A. Moore, B. R. Benton, Archer F. Jones, J. H. Crenshaw, John Stewart, R. B. Peters, W. H. Schwartz, M. G. Wright, Henry W. Wood, Stanley Reed, W. S. Rhoads, W. A. Hammond, Phil G. Kelley, O. A. Hays, A. H. Christman, J. E. Melton, T. Tiller, E. E. Barnett, E. E. Melton, R. Francione, Leon Wallerstein, C. Tyler Hundley, Donald B. Regester, W. A.

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